

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

for the
Central District of California

In the Matter of the Search of:
Information associated with Reddit account identified
as "Sweet-Explanation-81" that is within the
possession, custody, or control of Reddit Inc.

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Case No. 8:23-MJ-00467

WARRANT BY TELEPHONE PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. § 2703

To: Any Authorized Law Enforcement Officer

An application by a federal law enforcement officer requests the production and search of the following data:

See Attachment A-II

The data to be produced and searched, described above, are believed to contain the following:

See Attachment B -II

I find that the affidavit, or any recorded testimony, establishes probable cause to produce and search the data described in Attachment A-II, and to seize the data described in Attachment B-II. Such affidavit is incorporated herein by reference.

AUTHORIZED LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER/S IS/ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to serve this warrant on Reddit Inc. at any time within 14 days from the date of its issuance.

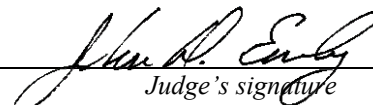
REDDIT INC. IS HEREBY COMMANDED to produce the information described in Attachment A-II within 10 calendar days of the date of service of this order. **REDDIT INC. IS FURTHER COMMANDED** to comply with the further orders set forth in Attachment B-II, and, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 2705(b), shall not notify any person, including the subscriber(s) of the account/s identified in Attachment A-II, of the existence of this warrant.

The officer executing this warrant, or an officer present during the execution, shall prepare an inventory as required by law, and shall promptly return this warrant and the inventory to the United States Magistrate Judge on duty at the time of the return through a filing with the Clerk's Office.

AUTHORIZED LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER/S IS/ARE FURTHER COMMANDED to perform the search of the data provided by Reddit Inc. pursuant to the procedures set forth in Attachment B-II.

Date and time issued: 9/11/2023 at 1:11PM

City and State: Santa Ana, California


Judge's signature

Honorable John D. Early, U.S. Magistrate Judge
Printed name and title

AUSA: Melissa Rabbani

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Date and time warrant served on provider:

09/11/2023 @ 7:06 PM

Inventory made in the presence of:

N/A

Inventory of data seized:

[Please provide a description of the information produced.]

For Reddit account "Sweet-Explanation-81":

- Subscriber data
- Content of private communications
- Comment/post history
- Comment/post voting history
- User preferences
- IP address history

Certification

I declare under penalty of perjury that I am an officer involved in the execution of this warrant, and that this inventory is correct and was returned along with the original warrant to the designated judge through a filing with the Clerk's Office.

Date: 09/20/2023

Executing officer's signature
 Davis Mendelsohn, Special Agent, HSI

Printed name and title

ATTACHMENT A-II

PROPERTY TO BE SEARCHED (REDDIT)

This warrant applies to information associated with Reddit account "Sweet-Explanation-81" (the "SUBJECT ACCOUNT") that is within the custody or control of Reddit Inc., a company headquartered at 548 Market Street, San Francisco, CA 94104, regardless of where such information is stored, held, or maintained.

ATTACHMENT B-II

ITEMS TO BE SEIZED (REDDIT)

I. SEARCH PROCEDURES

1. The warrant will be presented to personnel of Reddit Inc. (the "PROVIDER"), who will be directed to isolate the information described in Section II below.

2. To minimize any disruption of service to third parties, the PROVIDER's employees and/or law enforcement personnel trained in the operation of computers will create an exact duplicate of the information described in Section II below.

3. The PROVIDER's employees will provide in electronic form the exact duplicate of the information described in Section II below to the law enforcement personnel specified below in Section IV.

4. With respect to contents of wire and electronic communications produced by the PROVIDER (hereafter, "content records," see Section II.10.a. below), law enforcement agents and/or individuals assisting law enforcement and acting at their direction (the "search team") will examine such content records pursuant to search procedures specifically designed to identify items to be seized under this warrant. The search shall extract and seize only the specific items to be seized under this warrant (see Section III below). The search team may use forensic examination and searching tools, such as "EnCase" and "FTK" (Forensic Tool Kit), which tools may use hashing and other sophisticated techniques, including to search for known images

of child pornography. The review of the electronic data may be conducted by any government personnel assisting in the investigation, who may include, in addition to law enforcement officers and agents, attorneys for the government, attorney support staff, and technical experts. Pursuant to this warrant, the investigating agency may deliver a complete copy of the seized, copied, or disclosed electronic data to the custody and control of attorneys for the government and their support staff for their independent review.

5. The search team will not seize contraband or evidence relating to other crimes outside the scope of the items to be seized without first obtaining a further warrant to search for and seize such contraband or evidence.

6. The search team will complete its search of the content records as soon as is practicable but not to exceed 120 days from the date of receipt from the PROVIDER of the response to this warrant. The government will not search the content records beyond this 120-day period without first obtaining an extension of time order from the Court.

7. Once the search team has completed its review of the content records and created copies of the items seized pursuant to the warrant, the original production from the PROVIDER will be sealed -- and preserved by the search team for authenticity and chain of custody purposes -- until further order of the Court. Thereafter, the search team will not access the data from the sealed original production which fell outside the scope of the items to be seized absent further order of the Court.

8. The special procedures relating to digital data found in this warrant govern only the search of digital data pursuant to the authority conferred by this warrant and do not apply to any search of digital data pursuant to any other court order.

9. Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 2703(g) the presence of an agent is not required for service or execution of this warrant.

II. INFORMATION TO BE DISCLOSED BY THE PROVIDER

10. To the extent that the information described in Attachment A-II is within the possession, custody, or control of the PROVIDER, regardless of whether such information is located within or outside of the United States, including any information that has been deleted but is still available to the PROVIDER, or has been preserved pursuant to a request made under 18 U.S.C. § 2703(f), the PROVIDER is required to disclose the following information to the government for each SUBJECT ACCOUNT listed in Attachment A-II:

a. All contents of all wire and electronic communications associated with the SUBJECT ACCOUNT, including:

i. All photographs, images, recordings, emails, communications, or messages of any kind associated with the SUBJECT ACCOUNT, including stored or preserved copies of messages sent to and from the account, deleted messages, and messages maintained in trash or any other folders or tags or labels, as well as all header information associated with each

photograph, image, recording, email or message, and any related documents or attachments.

ii. All records pertaining to communications between the PROVIDER and any person regarding the SUBJECT ACCOUNT, including contacts with support services and records of actions taken.

b. All other records and information, including:

i. All subscriber information, including the date on which the account was created, the length of service, the IP address used to register the account, the subscriber's full name(s), screen name(s), any alternate names, other account names or email addresses associated with the account, linked accounts, telephone numbers, physical addresses, and other identifying information regarding the subscriber, including any removed or changed names, email addresses, telephone numbers or physical addresses, the types of service utilized, account status, account settings, login IP addresses associated with session dates and times, as well as means and source of payment, including detailed billing records, and including any changes made to any subscriber information or services, including specifically changes made to secondary email accounts, phone numbers, passwords, identity or address information, or types of services used, and including

the dates on which such changes occurred, for the SUBJECT ACCOUNT.

ii. All user connection logs and transactional information of all activity relating to the SUBJECT ACCOUNT described above in Section II.10.a., including all log files, dates, times, durations, data transfer volumes, methods of connection, IP addresses, ports, routing information, dialups, and locations.

iii. Any other account associated with the SUBJECT ACCOUNT including by means of sharing a common device, secondary, recovery, or alternate email address listed in subscriber records for the account, or phone number or SMS number listed in subscriber records for the account.

iv. Any information showing the location of the user of the SUBJECT ACCOUNT, including while sending or receiving a message using the SUBJECT ACCOUNT or accessing or logged into the SUBJECT ACCOUNT.

III. INFORMATION TO BE SEIZED BY THE GOVERNMENT

11. For each SUBJECT ACCOUNT listed in Attachment AII, the search team may seize:

a. All information described above in Section II.10.a. that constitutes evidence, contraband, fruits, or instrumentalities of violations of 18 U.S.C. § 2422(b), enticement of a child to engage in criminal sexual activity, namely:

i. Information relating to who created, accessed, or used the SUBJECT ACCOUNT, including records about their identities and whereabouts.

ii. Information related to how and when the SUBJECT ACCOUNT was accessed or used.

iii. Information, records, messages, communications, audio recordings, pictures, video recordings, or still captured images relating to the account user's or users' communication with suspected minors and/or solitication of sexually explicit content from minors.

iv. Child sexual abuse material or child erotica.

v. Information, in any form, relating to or tending to identify victims of the SUBJECT OFFENSE including records about their whereabouts.

vi. Information, in any form, tending to evidence the age of any suspected victim of the SUBJECT OFFENSES.

b. All records and information described above in Section II.10.b.

IV. PROVIDER PROCEDURES

12. IT IS ORDERED that the PROVIDER shall deliver the information set forth in Section II within 10 days of the service of this warrant. Notwithstanding 18 U.S.C. § 2252/2252A or any similar statute or code, the provider shall disclose

responsive data by sending it to the following address via US Mail, or to the following email address:

Davis Mendelsohn
100 Lighthouse Avenue, Monterey, CA 93940
415-271-6242 (cell); 831-647-7318 (fax)
davis.mendelsohn@ice.dhs.gov

13. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the PROVIDER shall provide the name and contact information for all employees who conduct the search and produce the records responsive to this warrant.

14. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 2705(b), that the PROVIDER shall not notify any person, including the subscriber(s) of each account identified in Attachment A-II, of the existence of the warrant, until further order of the Court, until written notice is provided by the United States Attorney's Office that nondisclosure is no longer required, or until one year from the date this warrant is signed by the magistrate judge or such later date as may be set by the Court upon application for an extension by the United States. Upon expiration of this order, at least ten business days prior to disclosing the existence of the warrant, the PROVIDER shall notify the agent identified in paragraph 12 above of its intent to so notify.